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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

FROM : Acting Director, SWS

SUBJECT : Polish Political Development

1. The attached paper and the following observations are provided for your information.

a. While the participants may not yet have the ability to achieve their aims of reacquiring power, they certainly are motivated toward that end. []

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b. Since the paper was written, the Soviet press commentary on the May demonstrations appears to be signaling Moscow's dissatisfaction with the results of Martial Law. Support for Jaruzelski may be under debate. []

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c. Pessimistic reports [] indicate the possibility of a default on Polish loans is increasing. Default may be both a cause and an excuse to dump Jaruzelski. []

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d. Since the martial law regime has not been a resounding success economically and if the West declares Poland in default anyway, there is little to lose by purging all moderate elements from the Polish party and government. At least Poland will be safe for Communism. []

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2. Given the above, I believe the alternative described in the attached paper is one option for the Soviets. (U)

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